

in Washington County until 1974. He served on the Minnesota Parole Board with distinction for 7 years and was appointed to the Minnesota State Social Services Committee. Judge McDonough was appointed Special Adviser to President John F. Kennedy's Commission on Crime and Delinquency by the late Attorney General of the United States, Robert F. Kennedy.

The Judge was a true philanthropist. He founded the Father Francis J. Miller Memorial Foundation to build a nondenominational chapel at the Minnesota State Prison. He was also a forerunner in the 1960's in recognizing alcohol/drug abuse as a prime contributing factor to crime delinquency, family violence, and divorce.

Since 1980, McDonough served as chief legal counsel to Hubbard Broadcasting, Inc.

The Honorable John T. McDonough was more than an author, veteran, judge, philanthropist, and legal counsel. His neighbors and coworkers will remember him best as a great character. The Judge's combination of enthusiasm and commitment will be greatly missed by the country, State, city, and people he served.

CONCRETE SUPPORT FOR THE WAR CRIMES TRIBUNAL

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 10, 1995

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, next week the United Nations begins another review of the budget needs for the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia. This tribunal has already faced numerous obstacles to its establishment and considerable bureaucratic and political barriers to its staffing; worse still, it continues to face opposition from those who would rather negotiate with war criminals than see them in jail. In spite of numerous political and procedural roadblocks, the tribunal issued its first indictment in early November, is proceeding with investigations, and is expected to bring cases to trial later this year.

This progress by no means guarantees long-term success, Mr. Speaker. In fact, in an article published in the Washington Post, Tom Warrick, an attorney who assisted the head of the United Nations War Crimes Commission, points out that the results of a relatively obscure U.N. committee may determine "whether those ultimately responsible for ethnic cleansing are ever to be brought to justice." And, as those who oppose this tribunal have learned, what they can't defeat openly through the political process, they may be able to gut in the United Nations closed-door budget negotiations.

Nongovernmental experts have already suggested that the \$28 million sought by tribunal officials may be too low, given the costs of gathering testimony from the thousands of victims of the extensive list of deplorable war crimes and in light of the on-site investigations that the effective prosecution of war criminals will require. Nevertheless, it appears that securing even these funds may be an uphill battle with the U.N. bureaucracy.

Accordingly, I have written to the President, along with the Cochairman of the Helsinki

Commission, Senator D'AMATO, and Representative STENY HOYER, the former chairman of and now ranking House minority member on the Commission, urging the President to instruct the U.S. delegation to the United Nations to press vigorously at these upcoming budget meetings to ensure adequate funding for the tribunal. The establishment of this body, against so many odds, is a credit to strong U.S. leadership. But, without proper funding, Mr. Speaker, the tribunal will never be able to execute the historic tasks that have been set for it. We have also indicated our support for an additional voluntary contribution to the tribunal by the United States of an amount not less than the \$3 million cash contribution provided last year.

Mr. Speaker, as the Bosnian Prime Minister, Haris Silajdzic, stated at the Helsinki Commission's hearing just 2 weeks ago, war crimes and genocide continue in Bosnia even now, during the 50th anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz. I cannot overstate my conviction that holding war criminals accountable for the heinous crimes they have committed in this conflict will be an essential element for any long-term resolution of this tragedy. If the United States, at this juncture, inexplicably reduces the level of financial support it has provided to the tribunal, it might send a regrettable signal of weakening U.S. resolve to see war criminals held truly accountable. We must not let that happen.

ROBERT J. LAGOMARSINO VISITORS CENTER

SPEECH OF

HON. ROBERT A. UNDERWOOD

OF GUAM

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 1, 1995

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the joint resolution (H.J. Res. 50) to designate the visitors center at the Channel Islands National Park, CA, as the "Robert J. Lagomarsino Visitors Center."

Mr. UNDERWOOD. Mr. Chairman, I rise in support of the legislation brought forth by Chairman GALLEGLY to designate the visitor's center at the Channel Islands National Park after a distinguished former member of this body, Mr. Robert J. Lagomarsino. I congratulate the chairman for recognizing Mr. Lagomarsino's many accomplishments.

Mr. Lagomarsino has been honored numerous times by various citizen groups, environmental organizations, and most importantly his constituents. His successes as a Member of Congress were eclipsed by his championing the protection of the Channel Islands, but also include many other valuable achievements for his constituency and the country. As ranking member of what was then the International and Insular Affairs Subcommittee, Mr. Lagomarsino was a friend to the territories and is still an advocate for our respective agendas.

I believe Mr. Lagomarsino's tireless work for his district, the territories, and for the Channel Islands National Park to be indicative of his desire to legislate responsibly and fairly for all people as well as for the environment. I think this legislation is a fitting tribute to the man whom Chairman GALLEGLY has called the father of the Channel Islands National Park.

TRIBUTE TO NAOMI FISHER

HON. WILLIAM F. CLINGER, JR.

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friday, February 10, 1995

Mr. CLINGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to congratulate Ms. Naomi Fisher of Mill Hall, PA, who has been selected as Blind Worker of the Year. I am pleased to have this opportunity to recognize this great accomplishment.

Ms. Fisher was nominated for this award by her coworkers at North Central Sight Services, Inc. I am sure this is quite an honor for Naomi to be recognized by her fellow employees. Her coworkers, however, are not just ordinary colleagues. These individuals have experienced, and will continue to experience, many of the same trials and tribulations that Naomi does. Although every employee in this workplace deserves credit for rising above their physical challenges, Naomi is being recognized for her certitude in accepting diversity. Her ability to inspire and help those who are in a similar situation is a true testimony to her character.

This award, sponsored by the Javits-Wagner-O'Day Program, appropriately reflects the goals of this organization. The JWOD Program is designed to provide employment opportunities and services for thousands of blind Americans throughout the United States. Each year the National Industries for the Blind, the central nonprofit agency for industries participating in the program, selects one outstanding worker for this well-deserved award. The significance of this award is only realized when you consider how many people are worthy of consideration.

Ms. Fisher was selected as the Blind Worker of the Year not only for her outstanding job performance, but also for her activities off the job. She stays very busy at her family farm and also at the local church. As we all can see, she deserves this award for her many accomplishments. I applaud the hard work she has performed both in the work place and in our community. Her determination and dedication is an inspiration to us all.

Mr. Speaker, it is my distinct pleasure to recognize Naomi Fisher for receiving this prestigious award. Once again, I congratulate her and offer my best wishes for continued success.

VIOLENT CRIMINAL INCARCERATION ACT OF 1995

SPEECH OF

HON. SAM JOHNSON

OF TEXAS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, February 9, 1995

The House in Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union had under consideration the bill (H.R. 667) to control crime by incarcerating violent criminals.

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas. Mr. Chairman, as it stands now, current law defines overcrowding in prisons as a form of cruel and